# CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-THIRD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD WEDNESDAY, 31 JULY, 1985, AT 6:30 P.M. ROOM H-769, HALL BUILDING, SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS CAMPUS

# 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Scott White at 6:50 p.m.

#### PRESENT

Co-Presidents

Ron Hiscox (7:05)

Mike Judson

Commerce

Robert Gauvin (7:30) Elizabeth Laett (7:00) Jenny Rice

Lorne Severs

Shirleen Weekes (10:00)

Arts and Science

Maria Caderone

Adrian Chomenko (8:30) Milva D'Aronco (7:15)

Carla Grodis Andy King Maki Kusano Heather Rerrie Karen Takacs

Engineering

Dan Artola Jonathan Jolivet

#### ABSENT

Arts and Science: Chris Mostovac (w/r), Mark Pink (w/r), Jennifer Stark.

Commerce: Janice Domaratzki (w/r).

Engineering: Andrew Haberl (w/r), Martin Periera.

Fine Arts: David Etherington, Page Lopez, David Swift.

Advisors to the Board present: Diane Coulas, Secretary, Judicial Board; Aleem Lakhani, V.P. SSPTSA; Brian Weihs, V.P. Finance, Francois Desrosiers, V.P. External; Alex Commadari, Co-V.P. Programming.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

It was stated that 8b) CUSASET (BD-33-D1) should actually be 9a) because it is new business.

Add item 9b) Vice-President Ratification

Add item 5c) CUSASORP Board Report

Agenda approved as amended.

# 3. Approval of Minutes of the 32nd Meeting

It was stated that CUSACORP Board Member Frank Joo's last name was spelt incorrectly. (That is, not "Joe.")

On page 7, "Vote on Motion 203" should actually read "Vote on Motion 202."

# 4. Chairperson's Remarks

Scott stated that any member of CUSA (any student) can speak at meetings. Speaking rights are not necessary. He then stated that those who have not spoken have priority on the speakers list.

# 5. Reports

# a) Radio Station Committee Report (BD-32-D5)

Members of the Radio Committee stated that they found the radio stations to be more of a club than a service to students. To quote briefly from the report, the alternatives included:

"Alternative 1. Status Quo

"Status Quo was examined with the concept of radio stations acting as clubs and not a media service. This implies leaving the radio stations as they are now. In view of services provided, they would remain the same."

"Alternative 2. FM License

"This alternative implies the merger of both radio stations to form one FM Concordia University radio station."

The Committee then stated that they felt the best decision was to proceed with alternative number 2: the FM License.

It was asked by the Board how much this alternative would cost. It was pointed out that an initial investment of \$20,000 would be needed.

It was then asked how difficult it would be to get a license.

Michel Laliberte from radio station CRSG stated that we might have it by September 1986. The first application could be returned by the CRTC with suggested changes on it. He then stated that it could also take two years.

7:15 p.m.

It was noted that the radio stations should operate on approximately half of their last year's budgets and only purchase equipment that will be needed for an FM station.

MOTION 203

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CUSA Board of Directors adopt "Alternative 2" of the Radio Station Committee Report (BD-32-D5).

Moved by: Dan Artola Seconded by: Maki Kusano

It was asked who would be responsible if the radio station were to be sued for something it did.

It was stated that CUSA would ultimately be responsible for any court action. There would be however, a separate company (and Board) for the radio station.

7:30 p.m.

The plan was to move The Link to the AR annex. That would leave the 6th floor of the Hall Building to the radio station. The only negative thing of this alternative was that there would no longer be a radio station at Loyola.

VOTE on Motion 203 14/0/0 Unanimous

b) Co-Presidents' Report

Mike Judson stated that Finance Committee needed new members.

Ron Hiscox stated that construction on the Hall Building offices should start this week and that the plans for the Campus Centre offices have been drawn up.

In the middle of October the examination of evidence for the Robertson case will take place.

c) CUSACORP Board Report

The Executives of the Board are:

President - Lorne Severs

Treasurer - Robert Gauvin

Secretary - will alternate with each meeting

The personnel committee is comprised of: Karen Herland Robert Gauvin Nicholas Pough

MOTION 204

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CUSA Board hereby approve the following signing officers for CUSACORP:
Co-President of CUSA (Mike Judson)
Olga Gazdovic
Treasurer of CUSACORP (Robert Gauvin)

Moved by: Lorne Severs Seconded by: Maki Kusano

The signing officers will have the power over the three bank accounts of CUSACORP.

It was asked why CUSACORP had three bank accounts. Richard stated that there was a TD bank account downtown and one at Cavendish and Sherbrooke. The third bank account was at the Bank of Commerce very near to Loyola. This account was used for making change as it was the closest bank to the Campus Centre.

VOTE om Motion 204 16/0/0 Unanimous

8:00 p.m.

#### 6. Question Period

The Co-Presidents were asked about the situation with AEGIC. Ron outlined AEGIC's plans for fees.

It was asked about the CUSA 'tax' for the Capital Campaign. Some directors were under the impression that the contribution was to be voluntary in the sense that students could pay it if they wanted to, and not have it automatically added and then have to ask to get it back.

It was pointed out that in the minutes of the 30th meeting of the Board (page 6, paragraph 5), it was said, somewhat indirectly, that students could get their money back.

It was then pointed out that there was nothing written on the contract that said what this money was for. The motion that was passed by the Board of Governors of the University was read and it did state that a sentence must be added to the contracts explaining the new fee.

Ron stated that he would look into it.

#### 7. General Orders

a) Revision to Financial Policies (BD-31-D4)

#### MOTION 201A

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CUSA Board of Directors adopt the following financial policy regarding CUSA academic member associations:

- 1. Twenty percent of all CUSA fees received from students studying within each faculty will be kept in a CUSA account allocated soley to the use of student associations within that faculty, provided such associations respect the by-laws of CUSA;
- 2. The use of these funds will be RECOMMENDED by the student association concerned, through the medium of an intra-faculty student finance committee, to a general assembly of students studying within the faculty. The APPROVED budget of such an assembly shall be respected by CUSA and the association affected by such a budget.

Moved by: Karen Takacs Seconded by: Ron Hiscox

(This motion was made at the 31st Meeting of the Board of Directors.)

The reason for this motion was explained. CUSA's Finance Committee does not have the ability to judge one proposal from another when it comes to giving out the budgets for academic groups. After many meetings, FinCom decided that the best approach was to give each of the four faculties 20% of the monies their students put in.

8:15 p.m.

It was pointed out that it was not 20% for each department but for each faculty.

It was then pointed out that the Fine Arts faculty and the Arts and Science faculty do not have a faculty association. Fine Arts had one in the past but it no longer functions. The Science faculty had one separate from the Arts faculty but that no longer exists either. It was hoped that with a lot of publicity and the fact that the money was available that students would become interested in forming these faculty associations.

It was stated that this motion was very vague.

Brian Weihs stated that this motion was only meant to give a direction for FinCom to take. It was the first stepping stone. The end result might take up to a year or more to work out but if this is not passed then FinCom would have no other choice but to continue as it has been doing for the past years.

The discussion continued for an hour before an amendment was proposed.

MOVE to add the following paragraph:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the logistics and the mechanics of the policy be approved by the CUSA Board of Directors before implementation."

> Moved by: Milva D'Aronco Seconded by: Jenny Rice

It was stated that when the budgets are up for review in the near future, Fin Com will take into consideration the 20% policy.

The was only a small amount of discussion on this subject.

MOVE to end debate on the ammendment VOTE 14/2/0 Debate ended

VOTE on Amendement 15/0/1 Amendment carried

MOVE to end debate on Motion 201A as amended VOTE 11/2/2 Debate ended

VOTE on Motion 201A 16/0/0 Motion carried

10:00 p.m.

### 8 New Business

b) Ratification of Finance Committee Members

MOVE to ratify the following Directors as Finance Committee Members:
Maria Calderone, Maki Kusano, Dan Artola, Andy King.

Moved by: Mike Judson Seconded by: Heather Rerrie

VOTE 16/0/0 Unanimous

a) CUSACORP By-Laws (BD-32-D4 and BD-32-D6)

It was stated that the Board would proceed with each by-law individually. MOTION 205

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following by-law be added to the CUSACORP By-Laws:

"Any dispute between CUSACORP and CUSA will be submitted to the CUSA Judicial Board."

Moved by: Ron Hiscox Seconded by: Andy King MOTION 206

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that section 2 (c) of the CUSACORP By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

"Meetings of the board of directors may be held at such time and place as the directors may by resolution determine on three (3) days' notice to each director either by letter of telegram or in any other manner. Similar notice must also be given to the CUSA Board of Directors. Meetings may similarly be called by the president or by 3 directors in which case they shall be held at such time and place as determined in the notice...(unchanged material ommitted from these minutes)...is deemed to be present at that meeting."

Moved by: Ron Hiscox Seconded by: Lorne Severs

VOTE on Motion 206 12/0/1 Carried

MOTION 207

BE IT RESOLVED THAT section 2 (a) of the CUSACORP By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

"Until changed in accordance with Part 1A of the Companies Act (the "Act"), the board shall consist of 7 board members, including at least one from each faculty. Members of the CUSA Board of Directors and executives will not be permitted to sit on the CUSACORP Board of Directors. Four shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the board. This provision is to take effect September 30, 1985."

Moved by: Ron Hiscox Seconded by: Lorne Severs

It was stated by Lorne and Robert Gauvin that the Board of CUSACORP agreed that members of CUSA's Board should not be on the CUSACORP Board. One of the reasons for this decision is that it would be unfair to a member of the CUSA Board who is also a member of the CUSACORP Board if all the questions brought up at the meetings of the CUSA Board concerning CUSACORP were directed towards that person.

It was also stated that with different people you would get more objective views.

Some of the directors stated that they did not like to idea of there having to be one member from each faculty.

An amendment was proposed.

MOVE to strike out the words "including at least one from each faculty."

Moved by: Robert Gauvin Seconded by: Dan Artola

10:45 p.m.

It was argued whether this was a form of tokenism or whether is was just to ensure that each faculty had fair representation and that the board could not be stacked.

A MOTION to end debate on the amendment was carried

VOTE on amendment 2/11/1 Defeated

VOTE on Motion 207 14/0/0 Carried

MOTION 208

BE IT RESOLVED THAT section 2 (b) of the CUSACORP By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

"The directors shall be elected by the shareholders of the Company in a general meeting and shall hold office for a term not exceeding one (1) year, the year to commence June 1st. The election shall be by ballot if any shareholder present at the meeting when such election takes place so demands; if no such demand be made the election will be made in any manner the meeting may direct."

Moved by: Jenny Rice Seconded by: Lorne Severs

VOTE on Motion 208 14/0/0 Carried

#### 9 New Business

a) Vice-President Ratification

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ruth Tovim be ratified as Vice-President Physical Resources.

Moved by: Karen Takacs Seconded by: Carl Grodis

VOTE on Motion 12/0/2 Carried

# 10 Announcements

It was announced that the next meeting of the CUSACORP Board would take place on Monday, August 5 at 8:00 p.m. in the Campus Centre.

The next meeting of the CUSA board will take place on Wednesday, August 14 at 7:00 in room AD-131 at Loyola.

#### 11 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

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ADDENDUM TO THE MINUTES OF THE 33RD MEETING OF THE BOARD

It should be noted that there was another CUSACORP by-law passed at the 33rd Meeting of the Board of Directors of CUSA, 31 July, 1985.

### MOTION 209

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following by-law be added to the CUSACORP By-Laws.

"The General Manager has the mandate given by the CUSA Board of Directors to hire and fire employees. In cases of appeal or irregularity, the CUSA Board of Directors has the power to review the situation and dictate appropriate action in the best interest of the association."

Moved by: Jenny Rice Seconded by: Lorned Severs

VOTE on Motion 209 14/0/0 Carried